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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
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For: INVERTER CIRCUIT, FLUORESCENT TUBE  
LIGHTING APPARATUS, BACKLIGHT  
APPARATUS, AND LIQUID CRYSTAL  
DISPLAY

Examiner: M. D. A

**LETTER EXPLAINING IDS REFERENCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant(s) filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) on November 26, 2007, in which Japanese Patent Application JP 05-090897-A, published 04/04/1993 to SONY CORP, was cited in error. Although that reference, directed to an oversampling filter circuit, was cited on the Japanese Search Report dated May 11, 2007, Applicant(s) submit that the Search Report should instead have cited similarly numbered Japanese Utility Model Application JP 05-090897-U, published 12/10/2003 to ENPLUS. This reference, directed to a device for lighting a backlight such as in an LCD display, was previously disclosed in the IDS filed February 3, 2005.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, DC area.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any

additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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